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To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a Three-Month Extension of time up to and including MAY 12, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No.: 18-0990 in the amount of \$475.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to deposit account number 18-0990.

Respectfully submitted

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